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SONG SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

EACH CHOIR PREPARES ELABORATE PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW

STEREOPTICAN VIEWS AT THE BAPTIST

The Rev. T. H. Wiles Will Give An Illustrated Lecture On the Life of Christ — Other Programs.

The Protestant churches of Maryville will celebrate Christmas tomorrow with elaborate song services and with Christmas sermons by the pastors.

The Presbyterian church will have a Christmas song service tomorrow night. Here is the program: Quartet, "Silent Night;" "Christmas Lullaby," (Anon), Ladies' chorus; solo, "The Birthday of A King," (Neidlinger), John Allen De Mott; "The Song Celestial," (Gray), Ladies' chorus; solo, "O, Holy Night," (Adams), Mrs. C. E. Wells, violin obligato by Miss Gray; anthem, "Star of the Orient," (Shelley), choir.

In the morning a solo, "Christmas," (Shelley) wil be given by Mrs. C. E. Wells.

At the Baptist church the special service will be in the evening. The Rev. T. H. Wiles will give a stereopticon lecture on the life of Christ from His birth to His ascension. Mrs. H. L. Raines will sing a solo, "The Holy City," but no other special music has been arranged.

The program at the Christian church will be in the morning, with Mrs. F. P. Robinson as soloist, and with Mrs. C. A. Bone, Mrs. Harry Todd and H. J. Becker as soloist in the anthems. The program follows:

Anthem, "The Vision," by Hayden-Morris.

Anthem, "Nazareth," by Gounod.

Anthem, "And it Shall Come to Pass, Trowbridge.

Anthem, "Blessed Holy Night," J. Offenbach.

Solo, "The Birthday of a King," (Neidlinger), Mrs. Fred P. Robinson.

The Rec. Gilbert S. Cox has arranged a song service of harmony and beauty for the morning and evening services at the First Methodist church. Here are the numbers for these song festivals:

"Sing, O, Sing, this Blessed Morn," (Bartlett). "Brightest and Best," (Reubenstein). "The Christ Child," (Coombs). Solo, by Miss Nellie Wray, "The Star of the Orient," (Shelley).

For the evening: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," (Shelley). "God So Loved the World," (Stainer). Solo, "Calm On the Listening Ear of Night," (Matthews), Professor Schuler. "Gloria in Excelsis," (Mozart). Baritone solo, "Bethlehem," (Coombs). "O, Little Town of Bethlehem," (Neidlinger).

The choir for tomorrow will be E. M. Claypool and H. B. Schuler, tenors; Mrs. Charles Moore, soprano; Misses Nellie Wray, and Dale Hulet, altos; Messrs. Harry Mutz and Rev. Gilbert S. Cox, baritones.

The South Methodist church will have its special service in the morning with a program for the children. The program will be called the "Nativity," and all of the children in the Sunday School will take part after which a treat will be furnished.

MINORCA EGGS SCORE 96 1-4

Harve England of Quitman is Proud of High Quality of Eggs—Also of Capons Exhibited at Show.

Harve England of Quitman is proud of the fact that his Single Comb Black Minorca eggs scored the highest at the Poultry Show being held at the Nunnelly building on North Main street this week. The score made by the eggs was 96¼, the color, size, uniformity, quality of the yolk and white being taken into consideration. The next highest score was 91.

Mr. England's capons also received a great deal of admiration. He brought twelve to the exhibit and leaves for home with one, having sold all the rest since the exhibit opened.

MAY BE CHAMPIONS

MARYVILLE H. S. BOYS WOULD LEAD IN BASKET BALL.

PROSPECTS ARE GOOD

Recent Tournaments Develop Number of New Men — First Squad Chosen Yesterday—Team Picked Later.

Maryville High School is out for the basketball championship of Northwest Missouri, according to Coach Schultz. Maryville is a member of the Northwest Missouri High School Athletic association and will schedule games only with members of that association. The rules of the association provide that teams which compete with teams outside the conference shall be barred from consideration for the championship. For that reason it is probable that no games will be scheduled this year with Benton or Central High School of St. Joseph or with Pattonsburg, as those teams are not members of the association.

The territory over which the association has control has been divided into four districts. At the end of the season a tournament will be held at Maryville among the four teams which are declared champions of their respective districts. The winner of this tournament will then be declared champion of Northwest Missouri.

The Board of Control of the association held a meeting at St. Joseph on the 15th and transacted the following business:

In football for next year the minimum number of games was raised from four to seven.

It was agreed that in foot ball, basket ball and base ball, any school which cancels a game without the consent of the competing school's consent, after the date set for such game has been agreed upon by both schools shall forfeit such game to the other school.

It was further agreed that any member of this association which engages in an athletic contest with any school which does not play according to the rules and regulations of this

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A Merry Christmas

(KATE SCHENCK)

A Merry Christmas.

The Democrat-Forum wishes today a merry, merry Christmas to everybody.

We can think of no better wish than the old, old wish. We want it to be the merriest, gladest Christmas ever—

A Christmas whose loving service keeps step with its joy;

A Christmas when we will hear the re-echoed song of "Glory to God in the Highest, Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men;"

A Christmas when we will not forget to wish our neighbor a merry Christmas. He may deserve it more than we;

A Christmas on which we will resolve to wear our holiday disposition every day thereafter;

A Christmas wherein we may learn that a share of our sympathy, our knowledge, our inspiration is more to be desired than a new necktie or a china plate;

A Christmas when we will remember to be Mr. and Mrs. Santa to some child who would be forgotten if we were to forget that it is written, "of such is the kingdom of Heaven;"

A Christmas on which we will learn that the most precious gifts cost the least money; the gift that is wrapped with love and tied with a heart string;

A Christmas when we will awaken with a smile and go to bed with a broad grin and repeat the dose next day and next;

A Christmas when we will remember with most generous spirit all to whom Christmas is only a day of greater burden and increased activities, who labor that some of us may play;

A Christmas during which we have gathered new stores of helpfulness to our fellow-man;

A Christmas when we will learn again the tender lesson of doing good;

A Christmas when among the rejoicings of the "ninety and nine" we will whisper a prayer for the one "out on the mountain side," remembering always that it was the loving arms of the Master Himself, that sheltered the wanderer;

A Christmas when we will translate for ourselves the message of Christmas—think of others—and make the day as holy as Him for whom it is called;

A Christmas whose memory will be a benediction in our hearts for years to come;

The Democrat-Forum, whose self-appointed mission is to make every day a Christmas day for some one, wishes you this measure of joy full and overflowing.

A Merry, Merry Christmas to Maryville and Nodaway county.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

MARTIN MEEKER INSANE, THROWS HIMSELF OUT OF WINDOW.

SERIOUS INJURY FEARED

Came With Brother to Maryville to Appear Before County Court — Has Wife and 2 Children.

Martin Meeker, who is mentally deranged, attempted suicide at 7:30 o'clock this morning by throwing himself out of a second-story window at the Hotel Bainum.

Meeker, accompanied by his brother, Albert Meeker, an agent at Conception Junction, and E. D. Young of Moberly, arrived in Maryville on the Wabash at midnight last night and took rooms at the Hotel Bainum. Mr. Young took a separate room and Meeker and his brother took a room together.

Meeker went to bed and his brother remained up to watch over him. Toward morning Albert Meeker fell asleep and the insane man got up and raised the window and threw himself to the pavement below. E. C. Moberly heard him fall and was the first to reach him. He was carried into the Hotel Bainum and the ambulance was called. He was taken to St. Francis Hospital. An examination showed that no bones were broken, but it is feared that he suffered severe internal injuries.

Albert Meeker brought his brother to Maryville for the purpose of taking him before the county court this morning in order to have him sent to the state hospital at St. Joseph. Before his misfortune, he was an operator on the Wabash having held his last position at La Plata, Mo. He has a wife and two children.

NO PAPER MONDAY.

Monday, Christmas, being a holiday, The Democrat-Forum will not issue a paper on that day.

To Move Restaurant.

O. W. Criss, owner of the Merchants Cafe, at the corner of East Third and Market streets, has leased the Baker building on the north side of the square and will transfer the business to the new location. The Merchants Cafe recently suffered loss by fire to the extent of about $1,500. Mr. Criss will install a lot of new fixtures and will have an up-to-date restaurant.

Professor Foster's Mother Ill.

Prof. and Mrs. H. A. Foster leave this evening for Maxwell, Tenn., called there by the serious illness of Professor Foster's mother, Mrs. Thomas Foster.

Miss Hildred Hanna, a teacher in the public schools of Okmulgee, Okla., and Forrest Hanna of Kansas City, will arrive in Maryville tonight to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hanna.

CANTATA A SUCCESS

"SANTA'S PERPLEXITY" GIVEN CLOSE ATTENTION LAST NIGHT.

CHORUS IS EXCELLENT

Bruce Wilkerson As Santa Carried His Role Well — Commendation For Each Child Taking Part.

"Santa's Perplexity," was given the close attention it merited, at the First Methodist church last night. From the very start until the final conclusion of the dainty Christmas cantata members of the Sunday School displayed an unusual freedom and pleasure in making realistic the trip of Santa with its preparations and perplexities. With machine-like smoothness the entire program was carried out, being a remarkable tribute to the careful and tireless drilling by the committee of which Miss Dale Hulet is chairman.

The cantata consists of two parts. The first scene is in the far northern home of Santa. Esquimos begged to be taken with him on his annual trip to the children of warmer climes. Sturdy flyers begged the old Saint Nick to travel by airship. However the sleigh bells have the first call and he started on his way, not, however, until the fairy northern lights have bewitched the toys, as a joke on Santa.

The second scene showed the children waiting for Santa. He arrived but found that his toys were bewitched and he was at a loss to know what to do. The toys entertained the children who in turn returned the favor, and the playlette concluded with the arrival of the northern lights who changed the toys back into toys.

All of the choruses were excellent. Bruce Wilkerson, who was Santa Claus was busy, but carried his role well. A word of commendation should be given each child who participated. Without question the cantata was a most pleasing success. Rev. Gilbert S. Cox, made preliminary announcement and introduced the members of the committee which was in charge of the entertainment.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

HOPE WILL FILED.

Residue of Estate Left to Sister and Brother of Dead Man.

The will of William A. Hope who died at Barnard December 17, was filed in probate court this morning. It was dated December 14, 1916, and contained the following bequests: to his brother, David A. Hope and to his sister he left $5 each; to his brother, Charlie L. Hope and to his sister, Emma A. Drydale he left the rest of his estate after the funeral expenses and other bills have been paid. He named Charlie Hope sole executor of the will.

Coopers to Gaynor City.

Supt. Bert Cooper and Mrs. Cooper will leave tomorrow for Gaynor City where they will spend Christmas with Professor Cooper's father, Mr. B. H. Cooper. Christmas will be the occasion of a family reunion at the Cooper home, in Gaynor and all of the nine children will be home for the Christmas festivities.

DEAN GOSLEE, 1ST

SKIDMORE BOY TAKES $50 PRIZE IN ACRE YIELD CONTEST.

HAD 75 BU. 53 LB. CORN

Charles Hartman and Charles Baker of Barnard, Raymond and Willie Oakerson of Maryville Take Prizes.

Dean Goslee of Skidmore is the winner of the first prize of $50 in the Boys' Acre Yield Corn Growing contest, according to the announcement of the judges made last night at the office of Supt. Bert Cooper. The boy won this prize with an acre of corn that yielded 75 bushels and 53 pounds.

The second prize of $30 was won by Charles E. Hartman of Barnard, whose acre yielded 69 bushels and 60 pounds.

The third prize of $20 went to Charles M. Baker of Barnard, whose acre yielded 68 bushels and 15 pounds.

The fourth prize of $10 was won by Raymond Oakerson of Maryville whose acre yielded 65 bushels and 40 pounds.

The fifth prize of $5 was won by Willie Oakerson of Maryville, whose acre yielded 62 bushels and 65 pounds.

The judges of the contest were: Judge W. M. Blackford, Joseph Jackson, Jr., and E. M. Claypool.

The Acre Yield Corn Growing contest is the sequel to the Nodaway County Agricultural and Domestic Science exhibition, which was held at the Normal school early in November. The boys had to take care of their acre of corn until sometime between November 10 and 20, when according to the rules of the contest it had to be gathered. The acre had to be square or rectangular and had to be contiguous, and the outside rows of corn must not come nearer than eighteen inches to the boundry lines of the acre. Then the corn had to be measured, husked and weighed in the ear with the help of, and in the presence of a neighbor who was not a relative nor in any way interested. The neighbor and the boy then had to appear before a notary public and make a sworn statement regarding the number of bushels and pounds to the acre.

The slips were then turned over to Supt. Bert Cooper, who took charge of them until the judges made the awards. The boys are all between 10 and 20 years of age and made an excellent showing.

ALLIES TO PREPARE NOTE TO THE U. S.

TERMS OF MESSAGES TO PRESIDENT WILL BE THE SAME.

GERMANY IS HOPEFUL OF LASTING RESULTS

U. S. Will Take No Further Steps — Has Done Everything Possible — Now Up to Entente.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

London, Dec. 23.—Exchanges between all notions relative to the reply which shall be made to Wilson's note are already being reported in diplomatic circles today. As was the case with the German note the reply will be identical from all the powers. Wilson's note and the King's prorogue of the Parliament until February were the principal topics of interest today in press and political circles.

U. S. Has Done All.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The United States has done all that it can for the present consideration of peace. It is now up to the Entente. This is the attitude of the administration today.

Berlin Well Pleased.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—That Wilson's note has given the peace movement strong impetus was the idea expressed here today.

COMMUNITY TREE READY

Decorations All On And Christmas Sleigh Is Loaded For Santa Claus—Many Shoppers Here.

The change in the weather from the severe cold to the warmer temperaaures has brought thousands of shoppers to Maryville today. Every store is full of buyers which bids well to make December the banner month for the merchants.

Three men spent all day trimming the Community Christmas tree which is glittering with tinsel and already for the grand event tonight. The program starts promptly at 7:30 o'clock, when the processio nwill begin its march from the First Methodist church, singing "Joy to the World."

The sled placed in the court yard for the purpose of receiving donations for the poor is rapidly becoming loaded. Consequently, Santa will have a large donation to present to the Welfare Board this evening.

VILLA CONTROLS NORTHERN MEX.

With Torreon and Chihuahua In His Possession He Controls All.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

El Paso, Dec. 23.—With Torreon reported in his possession and Chihuahua City at the mercy of Salazar, Villa today is dominating all of Northern Mexico.

THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday; warmer west and extreme north portion. Sunday unsettled and warmer followed by rain afternoon or night.

Notice

All merchants, railroad and telephone tax not paid before January 1st will have one per cent penalty added on same.

All merchants not having taken out their license by January 1st will be reported to the city attorney.

All delinquent and back taxes not paid before January 1st, suit will be brought on same to collect.

W. R. TILSON,
County Treasurer.

The FERN Tonight

A 5 reel Red Feather entitled—

"The Heart of a Child"

On MONDAY a matinee and night program will be given showing a Bluebird feature and one reel L-Ko Komedy.

On WEDNESDAY a matinee and night performance, showing Charley Chaplin and five other reels of comedy.

A Weekly Program in Monday's Paper

The Empire Theatre Wishes Everyone The Greetings of the Season

The Democrat-Forum

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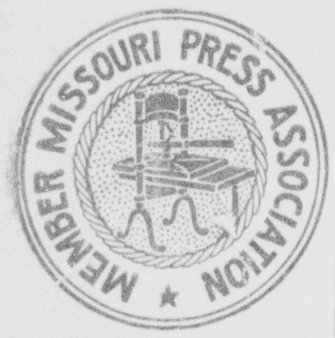

CLEARMONT NEWS.

Miss Jennie White of Baldwin, Kan., who had been here caring for her niece, Miss Hann, for several days, returned home Friday. Miss Hann had recovered sufficiently to go home with her, where she will remain until the holidays are over, when she will return and take up her duties in our city schools.

Mrs. Poleson, who is teaching at Independence, Mo., arrived here Monday evening to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wiley.

Last night about 9:30 Mrs. Ase Griffey phoned to central that their house was on fire. The alarm was given and the church bell rung and a huge crowd was soon on the ground. The fire had only got started and was easily put out without much damage. The fire started from the flue right at the ceiling and had it not been discovered for a few minutes longer the house would have undoubtedly burned down. The house is the property of Mrs. Laughlin and is situated in the south part of town.

RAVENWOOD GAZETTE.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stockstill left for Stanley, Kan., the first of the week, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. F. H. Casteel and daughter, Vera, left Tuesday for Excelsior Springs, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bentley and family.

Theodore Stingley arrived home Wednesday from Willston, North Dakota, where he has been carpentering the past three months.

Dr. W. W. Turner
Osteopathic Physician
Treatment of acute and chronic Diseases.
Office over Alderman-Yehle Store
BOTH PHONES

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Owing to the continued scarcity and high cost of paper, all mail subscriptions, both in and out of Nodaway county, to The Daily Democrat-Forum will be raised to 25 cents per month on January first, 1917. Those who desire to pay six months or more in advance will be allowed to do so at the rate of $2.50 per year, provided all arrearages have been paid.

During the remainder of this month subscriptions within the county and outside of Maryville will be taken, if paid in advance, at the old rate of $2.00 and present subscribers may pay ahead for as long a time as they desire during this month. All subscriptions not paid in advance on January 1st will be charged and payable at the new rate from that time forward. Those who want to save, may do so by paying all arrearages and a year in advance during December.

The Democrat-Forum has delayed this advance as long as possible, hoping that there would be some relief in the paper situation. The cost of paper, during the past year, has increased more than a thousand dollars a car and is now not only higher than ever, but the supply is very limited. The price of The Weekly Democrat-Forum will remain at one dollar per year and is well worth the money.

THE MARYVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY.

December 11, 1916.

DOES POULTRY PAY?

MRS. W. P. NICHOLAS OF BURLINGTON JUNCTION THINKS IT DOES.

ESPECIALLY IN TOWN

Woman Tells of Advantage of Having Pure Bred Stock — Cleared $100 On Eggs Alone.

Mrs. W. P. Nicholas of Burlington Junction, winner of several prizes in the White Wyandottes class at the Poultry show, which closes today, has an interesting article in the Burlington Junction Post, entitled, "Does Poultry Pay?"

Last March when we moved into town, a friend of mine said to me: "Do you think it will pay you to take your chickens to town with you?" And my answer was, "If it doesn't pay and pay well it will not be the fault of the chickens." So I selected only birds that scored high, and as near the standard requirements as possible. Then these were trap-nested in January and February. By March 1, I had 6 trap-nested, high scoring pullets and yearling hens to bring to town with me. I mated these to two genuine Duston males scoring well up to 94 points.

We have almost one acre of ground fenced poultry tight with a comfortable hen house. This ground is in grass which has furnished my poultry plenty of green food. Charcoal, bone meal, and oyster shells are kept before the hens all the time. I feed wheat or oats in the mornings and corn at night, scattering the grain far and wide so the hens will have to hustle and find it. Out in the grass, is a good place to scatter the grain, then they will have to hunt for it. This gives them the exercise required for high egg production.

The fundamental law underlying all breeding operations is the law of heredity, which means the tendency of the offspring to resemble its parent in all important characteristics. I find this to be quite true this year in regard to egg production, my trap-nested hens have produced pullets that are just now six months old and are laying every day. A number of these pullets have been scored by Judge V. H. Southard of Kansas City, and have also inherited the high scoring qualities of their parent stock. Just to be frank with those who say, "pure bred poultry doesn't pay," I wish to state had I not pure bred poultry of a great, if not the greatest, laying breed, my poultry in town might not have paid. For the good of those who would like to keep paying poultry I am going to give the exact accounts of my flock from March 1, 1916, to December 4, 1916. Just ten months out of the twelve this year, with thirty-six females and two males constituting my flock up to December 14, cash: eggs, $110.00; stock, $136.00. I yet have my breeding stock for next year. My expenditures have been $50.00. So I think if you understand your breed and their requirements it is only up to your management to make them pay.

These figures do not include the money won by my birds in the show room or the expense of exhibiting them, as I only wished to prove that it pays to keep full blood poultry in town, if you do not intend to exhibit them.

Cure that cold
—Do it today.

HILL'S CASCARA QUININE BROMIDE

The old family remedy—in tablet form—safe, sure, easy to take. No opiates—no unpleasant after effects. Cures colds in 24 hours—Grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it—25 cents.
At Any Drug Store

SUCCESS.

Success is not in an endeavor to do a great thing, but in repeated endeavors to do greater things.—Henry F. Cope.

Declining.

He—They say the demand for tips has greatly declined. She—Offer one to the waiter and see.—Exchange.

Expensive Aroma.

"The odor of gasoline seems to annoy you."

"It does," said Mr. Chuggins. "The stuff costs so much that I hate to think of the waste in evaporation."—Washington Star.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE—5c per bundle. Call at this office.

Your Taxes Are Due

A penalty will be attached unless they are paid by January 1st, 1917.

C. L. GANN,
Township Collector

WITH FULL APPRECIATION OF THE MANY COURTESIES SHOWN WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

H. L. Raines
JEWELER & OPTICIAN
110 W. 3RD ST. JUST A STEP PAST MAIN
MARYVILLE, MO.

Graves Secures Appeal Bond.

Ed. Graves, found guilty last week of the stealing of the Miller automobile and sentenced to an indeterminate sentence of five years in the penitentiary at Ft. Madison, was able to put up an appeal bond of $1,500 on Monday morning and consequenty did not accompany Sheriff Morley when he took Cooper and Smith away. Friends at Hopkins and Elmo, Mo., put up the necessary money.—Bedford Times-Republican.

AT THE POST OFFICE.

Sunday—

One residence delivery by the city carriers.

The rural carriers window will be open from 10 to 1 o'clock and patrons are requested to call for their mail at that time.

Packages will be delivered.

Christmas.

One complete delivery by the city carriers.

The rural carriers will make their trip.

The general delivery window will be open from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m.

Parcel post men will deliver all packages by noon.

McCAFFREY & SWORDS
Grocers

We wish all our friends and customers

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

We wish you a Christmas
so happy and gay
That its memory will linger
for many a day.

L. S. BYERS
Grocer.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU.

Is our sincere wish. May it be followed by a prosperous New Year. We think we have served our patrons faithfully in the last year and we hope that our policy of trying to please all will merit an increased trade in 1917.

GAUGH & WOODWORTH.

The Spirit of Christmas

The respite of a Holiday Season of relaxation quiet and enjoyment is the best preparation for a coming year of renewed activity and greater attainment.

To every resident of Maryville and vicinity the officers of First National Bank and Gillam-Jackson Loan and Trust Company extend well wishes for the Christmas Season, for the Year 1917 and many prosperous years to come.

And not at this Season alone, but throughout the year, we maintain that cheerful, helpful spirit of service so characteristic of Christmas.

Old friendships we value and maintain—new friendships invited and encouraged.

The First National Bank
and the
Gillam-Jackson Loan & Trust Co.
MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

A Merry Christmas

to all our patrons and the

Citizens *of* Maryville

We have enjoyed a liberal patronage and support this year and we assure you that we appreciate your good will.

Maryville Electric Light
and Power Company

Are You Sure of Your Money for Next Christmas?

If you are not you can easily have a generous allowance for this time next year, by joining our Christmas Savings Club.

It's the easiest and surest way to save, and you will be delighted to get a check, just when the money will do the most good.

You want to be one of those who has money for next Christmas. Hurry down to the bank and make a deposit. That's all you have to do to become a member.

The rest is easy.

Farmers Trust Co.

Send Flowers *for* Christmas

"Send Englemann's Fresh Cut Flowers for Satisfaction." Fresh cut flowers of all kinds. Boxes and Baskets of assorted Christmas flowers from $1.00 up. Choice blooming plants, Ferns and Palms, Christmas Wreaths, Holly, Ruscus, etc. All prices the same as for Christmas, 1915. All orders packed carefully with your card, etc. to insure safe delivery in the coldest weather.

The Engelmann Greenhouses

Phones 17. 1001 So. Main St.

THIS IS JUST TO SAY—

WE WISH YOU AND THOSE
WHOSE HAPPINESS IS YOURS
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

H. C. BOWER,
West Side Hardware.

WHAT THE EDITOR'S Nodaway SCISSORS FOUND

PARNELL SENTINEL

Ben A. Jones came in from Louisville, Kentucky, Monday noon where he has a string of horses. He sold two of his horses while down there. He has one of the best lot of running horses he ever had and no doubt will make considerable money off them this season.

PARNELL SENTINEL

Newton Jasper and wife left Monday morning for Mineral Springs, Texas, where they expect to spend the winter for the benefit of his wife's health.

Chester Winmiller left for Des Moines Monday for a visit with his parents, Joseph Winmiller and wife, and other friends.

Dr. F. M. Byrd and family, who have been residents of this place for several years, left Monday for their new home in Eldorado, Kansas. The Doctor and family made many friends during their residence here and all wish them prosperity in their new home.

ELMO REGISTER

A. W. Long of Blanchard will speak at the Elmo Christian church next Sunday after Sunday schol. He is in business, and as student preacher, but will speak occasionally as the opportunity may offer, at points where he may be needed.

J. W. Tudder was operated on at Maryville December 6, for the removal of a tumor on the front part of his head. The operation was a success, and Mr. Tudder said last Saturday that the scar was nearly healed over. The tumor was not painful, but continued to grow, and it was thought best to remove it.

The Elmo school board, at its session held Monday night, appointed E. C. McCumber as truant officer, with the authority to arrest any delinquent pupil who fails to attend school.

CONCEPTION COURIER

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nelson and little daughter, Arline, returned home Sunday from a week's visit with relatives at St. Paul and Austin, Minn.

Miss Leota Yarnell came in from Nebraska Sunday evening for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. Toel.

Mrs. George Morris and two little sons, Kenneth and Gerald Robert, have returned home from a couple of days visit with relatives in Kansas City. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Morris' mother, Mrs. Virginia Tucker.

The public school at Clyde will have a Christmas tree and entertainment at the opera house in that place Friday evening. A fine program has been prepared and Santa Claus will be there on that occasion to make a short address and distribute presents.

HOPKINS JOURNAL

Ira Bradley and Walt Gray this week closed the deal for the Joe Litsch 240-acre farm, 5 miles north of Hopkins, the price paid being $72.50 an acre. Those who know the place say at the price this is by far the cheapest farm that has been sold here for many a day—a big Christmas bargain for the purchasers.

Early last Sunday morning, the fire gong sounded when it was found that the big barn of Joseph Houker at the stock yards was burning, the origin of the fire being a mystery. It was discovered by John Douglas and Night Watchman Whitten at about the same time but was under too much headway when the fire department reached the scene to save either the building or contents. One hog and a thousand bushels of corn and seven tons of hay was lost. Mr. Holker had about $400 insurance on the building and contents and it is estimated that his loss is about $70.

Most of the Hopkins young people who are away attending school will at home for the holidays. Miss Lois Sargent and Miss Crystal Wilson arrived from Fulton Saturday night and Jack Moorhead from Baldwin City, Kansas, Sunday night. Miss Doris Clutter and Miss Myrle Akin will arrive Friday from Parkville; David Robb and Helen McKee who attend the state university; Robert Wolfers, a student at the state university of Wisconsin and Frank Sargent, a medical student from Oklahoma, are also expected the last of the week as is Miss Edna Robb, who is teaching at Menden, Ill.

For Winter Colds

You need a real tonic. Strength is required to overcome the trouble. Let that tonic be one that is specially valuable in catarrhal conditions, and you can conquer the cold. A cold is acute catarrh; it may become chronic. Chronic catarrh frequently becomes systemic, involving the stomach and the intestinal tract as well as the nose or throat. It means stagnation.

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SKIDMORE NEWS

Last Sunday about 12 o'clock, as Rev. C. H. Sauceman and son, Deane, were coming from Mt. Salem church toward home, the car was overturned on the hill just west of the Charley Long farm. Deane, who was driving the car, was pinned underneath it for a short time, Rev. Sauceman being thrown clear of the car. Although both were bruised and scratched up injured.

Miss Carrie Twaddell, who is attending Howard Payne college at Fayette, Mo., arrived here Tuesday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her brothers, Lloyd and Roy Twaddell.

Mrs. F. S. Knepper left Tuesday morning for Fort Cobb, Okla., where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Will Donahue left Tuesday for Colorado Springs, Colo., where his wife has been the past several months for the benefit of her health. We are glad to report Mrs. Donahue improving nicely.

BURLINGTON JUNCTION POST.

The new steel bridge that spans the drainage ditch near the J. S. Corken farm, is completed and teams have been crossing it several days. The foreman of the construction work said that this bridge was built in less time than any other structure of its size that the Standard Company had ever taken a contract for. The bridge has been needed very badly as several farmers in that vicinity have crops on both sides of the ditch and it has been necessary for them to haul their corn around to the middle bridge to cross the river. During the farming season J. S. and T. A. Corken built a barn on the west side of the ditch and kept their horses and implements there, crossing on a woven wire foot bridge.

The old adage that all women are excitable was disproved last Thursday by Mrs. W. H. Rust when the explosion of a hot water heater set the basement of the house on fire. Without any preliminaries Mrs. Rust proceeded to extinguish the flames before any damage resulted from that source.

Miss Jennie Hann, who was ill for some time, recovered sufficiently to be able to return home to Baldwin, Kansas, last Friday, being accompanied by her aunt, Miss Jennie White. She will return to Clearmont after the holidays to take up her work again as principal of the Clearmont public schools.

Contractor E. R. Owens and family have leased the Mrs. Bever residence in the Davis addition and will make that their home this winter while Mr. Owens is completing the houses of Mrs. Wagner and Thad Anderson. Owens has bought the east end of the Anderson lot and intends to build a new home on it in the spring.

B. B. Staples sold twelve yearling Poland-China sows to Wm. Guyette this morning that weighed 5,130 pounds and brought him the neat sum of $41 each, which is certainly some record. The sows were registered Poland-Chinas. Last year Bert had three yearling sows to weigh 630 pounds each, which shows that it pays to raise pure bred stock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMackin left this morning for California, where they will spend the remainder of the winter. They have spent several winters in California and have enjoyed every one of them. They will return home about the first of April.

GREETINGS FOR 1917

The spirit of the season prompts us
to express to you
OUR APPRECIATION
of all the favors shown us and to wish
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Roast Stuffed Turkey, cranberry sauce
Loin of Pork, with dressing
Surloin of Prime Beef, brown gravy

Mashed Potatoes French Peas
Asparagus Tips on Toast
Candied Sweet Potatoes

Shrimp Salad on Lettuce Tips

Hot Biscuits Mince Pie

English Plum Pudding, wine sauce

Tea Coffee
Sweet Milk

BARNARD BULLETIN

Charles Seleeman shipped out a car of cord wood from here to Savannah Wednesday, from off his place south of town. He says that this wood will bring him from $8 to $9 a cord.

W. L. Burnham of Fairbury, Nebr., who was called to the bedside of his uncle, Robert Burnham, went to Savannah to visit his parents Thursday.

One day last week W. T. Nelson of Ravenwood purchased the Tom Ivie farm of 164 acres just east of Guilford, giving $100 per acre.

Our Greeting and Gift to you, our friends, at this Yuletide season, is the service of this Bank. We can conscientiously say that we have put in our time, thought and money to make this institution a true servant of the public. If we can prove to you in counsel, Security and Safety, real Bank-Service, we shall feel that we have done our share as fellow men to repay you for your kind patronge the past year. Right now on the eve of the great holidays, we ask that you put us to the test and give us that opportunity.

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Take the Sting Out of Winter

The owner of this house set out to spend a comfortable winter. He equipped the windows with storm sash upstairs and down.

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MAY BE CHAMPIONS

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association shall be barred from consideration for championship honors. Members are urged to play only members.

The board also agreed that the basket ball season shall close March 9, 1917. The tournament at Maryville will probably be held not later than March 23rd.

Pans for contests in boy's and girls' declamatory were considered, and information relative to this matter will be sent to the high schools of the N. W. Normal District as soon as these plans have been definitely determined.

Following is a list of high schools which are members of this association:

Richmond, Lathrop, Carrollton, New Hampton, Tarkio, Smithville, Gallatin, Plattsburg, Hopkins, Breckenridge, Rock Port, Fairfax, Savannah, Maitland, Bethany, King City, Maryville, Mound City, Skidmore, Trenton, Hamilton, Braymer, Chillicothe, Liberty, Cameron.

Prospects for a good team at the High School are improving every day. The tournament just held at the High School developed a number of new men. Coach Schultz yesterday posted the names of the fifteen men who are to compose the first squad and from which the team will be picked. Those who made the squad are: Howard Martin, Robert Groppe, Paul Pickens, Russell Woodward, Loren Egley, B. E. Condon, Carl Yowell, Earl Lewis, Garland Miller, Harry Holmes, Ernest Cain, John Price, and Forrest Hutchison.

The tournament which closed Thursday was full of surprises. The teams were all evenly matched and the games were hotly contested. At the close of the tournament Martin and Egley were tied for first place, and Hutchison and Woodward were tied for the bottom. In the play-off Egley beat Martin 9-7, while Hutchison was shoving Woodward down into the cellar by a score of 10-6.

Sunday Services at Local Churches

First Church of Christ Scientist.

Mrs. J. C. Denham, first reader; Mrs. F. M. Townsend, second reader.

206 South Main street.

Sunday school at 9:45.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock.

Subject of Lesson sermon, "Christ Jesus."

No Sunday night service.

Midweek prayer services at 8 o'clock Wednesday night.

Reading room in Michau building, over Townsend grocery. Open from 2 till 5 o'clock on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

Every one welcome to the reading room and to all the services.

First Baptist.

T. H. Wiles, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:30.

Morning worship at 11.

Sermon subject, "God's Christmas Gift."

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30.

Evening services at 7:30.

Lecture on "The Life of Christ, with stereopticon views from Christ's birth to His ascension. In the morning the children's program will be given.

First Methodist.

Gilbert S. Cox, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:30.

There will be a Christmas treat for the children and an interesting lesson for everyone. We want you to meet with us.

Morning worship at 10:45.

Subject of the sermon, "The Compassion of Christ." Special music as follows: "Sing, O, Sing, this Blessed Morn," Bartlett. "Brightest and Best," Rubenstein. "The Christ Child," by Coombs. Solo by Miss Nellie Wray. "The Star of the Orient," Shelley.

Evening service at 7:30.

Subject of the sermon, "Holy Days and Holidays." Special music for the evening: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," Shelley. "God So Loved the World," Stainer. Solo, "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night," by Matthews, Professor Schuler. "Gloria in Excelsis," Mozart. Baritone solo, "Bethlehem," Coombs. "O, Little Town of Bethlehem," Neidlinger.

The choir for tomorrow will be E. M. Claypool and H. B. Schuler, tenors; Mrs. Charles Moore, Misses Nellie Wray and Dale Hulet, Sopranos; and Messrs. Harry Mutz and Rev. Gilbert S. Cox, baritones.

We are anxious to help you make the most of Christmas and extend a hearty invitation to all. A Merry Christmas to all!

First Christian.

C. Emerson Miller, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:30.

Morning service at 10:45.

Anthem, "The Vision," (Hayden-Morris).

Anthem, "Blessed Holy Night," (J. Offenbach).

Offertory solo, "The Birthday of the King," Mrs. F. P. Robinson.

Anthem, "Nazareth," (Gounod).

Sermon, "Christmas Day and What It Teaches."

Evening service at 7:30.

Program by the Primary classes.

First Presbyterian.

S. A. Coile, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:45.

Morning worship at 11.

Christmas sermon, "The Abundant Life."

Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Evening service at 7:30.

A Christmas song service, under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Wells.

South Methodist Church.

R. C. Holliday, pastor.

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

Morning worship, 10:45.

Sermon, "The Song of the Heavenly Host."

Epworth League at 6:30.

Evening service at 7:30.

Sermon subject, "No Room at the Inn."

St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Rev. Father Odilo, O. S. B., pastor.

First mass at 8:00.

High mass at 10:00.

Afternoon service, rosary and benediction at 2:30.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Rev. Father Henry F. Niemann, pastor.

First mass at 8:00.

High mass at 10:30.

Evening services, devotions and benediction, at 7:30.

Gus Romasser, Deputy Sheriff.

Gus Romasser is to be deputy sheriff under John F. Dowden, who enters upon his duties as sheriff the first of the year, it was announced yesterday afternoon.

The selection of Mr. Romasser to this post will meet the unqualified approval of every citizen of Nodaway county. He and John Dowden will make a great term in this important office.

Mrs. Holliday Improving.

Mrs. R. C. Holliday, who has been ill for the last week, is improving slowly.

Miss Nellie Rigney of Kansas City will arrive in Maryville this evening and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Rigney.

VALUATION $455 ABOVE 1915

Nodaway Township Tax List Compiled—Shows Assessed Valuation, $834,360 for This Year.

Holmes Yates, assessor of Nodaway Township, turned in his tax book to the county court yesterday afternoon. According to the list compiled this year, the township now has an assessed valuation of $834,360. This is $455 above last year, the total for which was $833,905.

Country real estate assessed $489,550.

Country personal assessed $110,295.

City real estate is valued at $147,430 and the city personal at $87,035.

The valuation of money in the township was $90,000.

There are 896 horses in the township, the total value of which is $37,065. This is considerable less than last year many horses having been sold during the past twelve months.

There are 167 mules in the township just one more than last year, and the valuation is $8,330.

2,328 cattle in the township have an assessed valuation of $39,760.

1,574 hogs in the township are assessed at $4,165.

1,574 hogs in the township are assessed at $485 and twelve sheep that go on the books at $15, which would indicate that this is not much of a sheep country.

Miss Ora Eckles, a teacher in the Quincy, Ill., high school, arrived today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eckles.

Miss Lulu Todd arrived this morning from Hammond, Ind., to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Anna Todd, and family.

Miss Maud McMillan, who teaches in the Milwaukee, Wis., schools, came this morning to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McMillan, during the holidays.

Mrs. Murrin Better.

Mrs. John Murrin, who has been seriously ill at her home on East Sixth street, is much better today.

AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Will Have Excellent Musical Numbers and Christmas Sermons.

Christmas at the Catholic churches of Maryville will be celebrated with pomp and splendor as usual on the greatest of Christian feasts. The choirs at St. Patrick's and St. Mary's churches have been rehearsing for some time and have prepared an excellent service.

At St. Mary's church the first mass on Christmas morning will be at 6 o'clock and it will be followed immediately by three more masses. The last mass of the morning will be a High mass with sermon at 9:30 o'clock, followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The choir will sing Leonard's Mass in B Flat, with Miss Hilda Lahr as organist. Miss Lahr will play the offertory solo "Christmas Chimes."

St. Patrick's program is no less elaborate. The first mass will be at 6 o'clock followed by four low masses. The second High mass with sermon will be held at 10 o'clock. The special musical program will be under the direction of Miss Eleanor Smith. The choir will sing Wiegand's Second Mass. Other songs will be: "Vent Creator," "Glory to God," and "Adeste Fidelis."

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the last mass.

Another Marriage License.

A marriage license was granted this afternoon for Will Short of Stanberry and Elizabeth F. Morgan of Villisca.

Mark R. Basford of Waterloo, Ia., will arrive in Maryville tomorrow to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Anna Basford.

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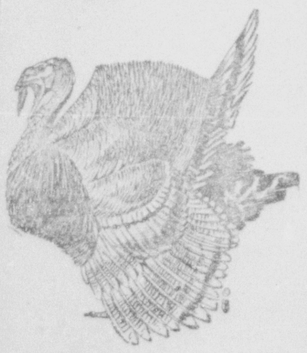

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Miss Mary Rose Brady leaves tonight for her home in Conception, where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. Bonewitz, Hostess.

Mrs. W. A. Bonewitz and daughter, Miss Edna Bonewitz, will have for Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Souers and Raleigh Souers.

To Be Guests at Wolfert Home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and daughter Carrie Margaret will be the 12 o'clock dinner guests on Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wolfert at their home on North Main street.

Here for Holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Lafe Allender and son, William of Atlantic, Ia., and Dr. and Mrs. Roland Allender of Boone, Ia., will arrive in Maryville today and will spend the Christmas holidays at the homes of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Allender and Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Wallis, Sr.

Christmas Dinner At S. H. Townsend's.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Townsend will entertain at 12 o'clock Christmas dinner at their home on East Fourth street. Their guests will include Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hooker, Mr. and Mrs. Hooker and daughter, Halcyon, Mrs. J. N. Manley, LeVern Manley and Miss Erma Green.

Frenches to Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred French will entertain at 12 o'clock dinner at their home Christmas day. Table decorations will be in pink and white. The following guests will be present: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lippman and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Eckles and daughter, Miss Ora, Mrs. Dora Martin, Don Martin, and Mrs. Lizette Lippman.

For Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Conrad will entertain at 12 o'clock Christmas dinner on Christmas day, December 25. A profusion of white bells will decorate the house. The guests will include: Mr. and Mrs. Arch Frank and daughter, Eva Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bellows and little daughter, Emma Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Beal Roseberry and daughters, Esther and Laura Phoebe.

Mrs. T. L. Robinson, Hostess.

Mrs. T. L. Robinson will entertain at 1 o'clock dinner on Christmas day at her home on West Third street. Christmas decorations will be used throughout the house. The guests will include: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robinson and sons, Theodore, James and Chilton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Robinson and daughter, Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wright Gray, Dr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bell and small son Charles, and Miss Nelle Saunders.

Mrs. Walter Mutz, Hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mutz will entertain at Christmas breakfast at 8:30 o'clock on Christmas morning. The Mutz home will be beautifully decorated in red and green Christmas bells. Only the members of the family will be present. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mutz and son, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Mutz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mutz, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ambrose, Miss Janette Mutz who will arrive today from Chugwater, Wyo., and Miss Lou Mutz and John Mutz.

Allenders Entertain.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Allender will entertain at 12 o'clock Christmas dinner, December 25. The house will be beautiful with its decorations of holly, sweet olive blossoms, magnolias and kumquats sent from Monticello, Fla., by Mrs. J. B. Morrison, a former resident of Maryville. Covers will be laid for Dr. and Mrs. Lafe Allender and son, William, of Atlantic, Ia., Dr. and Mrs. Roland Allender of Boone, Ia., Dr. and Mrs. William Wallis, Sr., and Dr. and Mrs. William Wallis, Jr., Dr. Frank Wallis, Frank Wallis, of Pickering and the host and hostess.

Guests at Bellows Home.

Covers will be laid for the following at a Christmas dinner given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bellows on December 25: Mrs. J. S. Douglas and daughter, Miss Nellie Douglas Mr. and Mrs. Fay Bellows and children, Donald and Mary Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Douglas and son, Jesse Jr., Miss Mildred Bellows, Fred Bellows and the host and hostess.

Dinner at Jackson Home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Colby and Joseph Jackson, Sr., will entertain at a 12 o'clock dinner party at their home on South Walnut street Sunday. Their guests will include Mrs. M. G. Saunders of Pueblo, Colo., who is visiting Maryville relatives, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Gilliam and son, Forrest, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jackson, Jr., and children, Joseph, Mary and Jimmie.

Mrs. Hornbuckle, Hostess.

The Bloomdale Willing Workers met with Mrs. N. T. Hornbuckle, Thursday, December 21. A short program suggestive of Christmas was given. Several new suggestions for work during the next six months were mentioned and will be discussed at future meetings.

The hostess had beautifully decorated a room in red and green and a miniature tree was laden with gifts for the club members. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Hentz and Mrs. Wray in serving refreshments. Those present were: Mrs. Parl Runnels, Mrs. Walter Runnels and children, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Byerrum, Mrs. Aley, Mrs. Gorton, Mrs. Alvin Wray, Mrs. Geo. Wray, Mrs. Nancy Wray, Mrs. Hentz and the hostess. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Maxon on January 4.

Advanced Seniors Entertained.

The advanced seniors of the High School were entertained last night at the home of Claud Glass, the president of the class. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing table games, after which refreshments were served. Those present were: Miss Lois K. Hailey, class sponsor; Miss Laura Curfman, Greta Kemp, Mildred Bellows, Faye Myers, Faye Herndon, Clara Wray, Esther Dietz, Cecile Fraser; Messrs. Claud Glass, Craig Tinney, Gerald Whaley, Ernest Daniels, Euel Ramsey, Henry Sawyers, and William Van Cleve.

Entertain at Christmas Dinner.

A 2 o'clock dinner will be given at the Townsend home on West Second street, Sunday. The dining table will be beautifully decorated in poinsettias and candlesticks tied with red maline, holding red tapers. Covers will be laid for Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Forsyth and daughter Edwyna; Mrs. Frank Shoemaker, Jr., and small son, Jacques Michau, of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Townsend and little son, Edward Bohm; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Townsend and Mrs. Lavencourt Michau.

Toels to Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Toel will entertain at 12 o'clock dinner Sunday at their home on East Thompson street. Covers will be laid for Mr. and Mrs. Court Toel of Little Rock, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Will Montgomery and the host and hostess.

To Entertain Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leiber Holmes will entertain at 12 o'clock dinner Christmas day. Throughout the house will be Christmas decorations, and the table will be centered with a lighted Christmas tree. The guests will include: Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Holmes and son, Harry Holmes, Mrs. Gallatin Craig and daughter Miss Laura, of Columbia, and Mr. and Mrs. Hosick Holmes.

Willing Helpers Meet.

The Pioneer Willing Helpers club met at the home of Mrs. I. V. Moore on Wednesday, December 20. Roll call was responded to with Christmas quotations. During the social hour a short program was given by members of the club. Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. John Montgomery. Two new members were taken into the club, Mrs. Perry Evans and Mrs. C. R. Green. The members present were: Mrs. William Rhodes, Mrs. George Gay, Mrs. F. V. Moore, Mrs. M. Swearingen, Mrs. Fred Buck, Mrs. John Montgomery, Mrs. Claud Neville and Mrs. Roy Gay. The next meeting will be with Mrs. John Montgomery, Wednesday, January 3, 1917.

Guests at Montgomerys.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Montgomery will be host and hostess at a 12 o'clock dinner Christmas day. The following guests will be present: Mr. and Mrs. M. Rittenour and daughter, Miss Eva, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes and daughter, Miss Lucile, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burris and daughters, Misses Helen and Virginia and sons Robert, Russell and Joe, Miss Ruth Montgomery and the host and hostess.

Gex's Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gex will entertain at 12 o'clock dinner on Christmas day at their beautiful country home, near Graham. Only members of the family will be present. They are: Mr. and Mrs. William Mountjoy and two sons, Robert and John Edward, Mr. and Mrs. John Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Catterson and family of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gex, Jr., Misses Betty and Mamie Gex, and William Wilson of Texas.

Sunday Dinner at Martin's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Martin will entertain at 12 o'clock dinner at their country home southwest of Maryville. The following guests will be present: J. R. Dougherty and daughters Vina and Susie and son Irvin, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sharp and family, Mrs. Kate Masters, Mrs. Laura Sharp and Tom Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leiber Holmes will go to Maitland Tuesday to visit with Mrs. Holmes' mother, Mrs. Maxwell.

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Santa Receives Two Letters Fuom Children of Ravenwood

Santa received two letters from Ravenwood in his mail last night and since the Ravenwood children are so good, he wanted to let these two kiddies know that he would be around about midnight tomorrow evening. Here is what the children want:

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a rifle. But my papa says I can't have one so be sure and bring it. I am eight years old and plenty big to handle one. There are plenty squirrels, rabbits, coyotes and also skunks here to shoot.

Please put a cure for sore throat in my stocking. I want a big sled to slide down these hills. I want a boy scout blanket so I can go out camping.

I want some candy that will make me sick so I will not have to go to school after vacation time. I want oranges, peanuts and bananas.

Yours truly, Baublits Wright.

Elsie Wright, 7 years old, also of Ravenwood, writes an appeal to Santa for Christmas gifts:

Dear Santa: I want a doll with curly hair and sleeping eyes, a go-cart, some candy, and some bananas and a sled and be sure to shut the door after you so mamma's flowers won't freeze. Yours truly,

Elsie Wright.

Santa also received his last letter from Maryville, as he leaves for this part of the country tonight and will not be home to get any more. Here it is:

Dear Santa:

Don't come down the chimney at my house, but drive up the alley and come up the back stairs for I sleep on the porch. I want for Christmas a red dress and a red hair ribbon, cause I like to look pretty. I also want a doll and a pretty buggy and a sack of candy and nuts and some oranges. I also want a little telephone that I can carry with me every day and a little stove. With best wishes to you dear Santa, I am,

Care of Reuillards. Mary.

Some more letters arrived for Santa on the noon mail. Here they are:

Dear Santa: I wish you would bring me a sled and a story book and a nice suit of clothes, a waist and a tie and a cap and fill my stocking with candy nuts and fruit. My name is Charles Burris, 402 East Third street.

Charles' brother also write his letter to Santa. Dear Santa: North Pole: I wish you would bring me a story book and a drum, a waist, and a cap and fill my little stocking with candy, nuts and fruit. My name is John Burris.

Eyes Tested Free

Can we Help Your Eyes?

We certainly can if they need Glasses.

It matters not what the defect may be, if it is amenable to accurately adjusted Glasses we can correct it for you.

Come in at once and let us test your eyes.

H. L. Raines
JEWELER OPTICIAN
110 W 3RD ST. JUST A STEP PAST MAIN
MARYVILLE, MO.

Greetings

To All Our Friends

With full appreciation of the Yuletide Spirit

To Old Friends
To New Friends
To Friends We Hope to Make—

the officers of this institution of service for all and to all extend friendly greetings for a Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Farmers Trust Co.

CARRY WHISTLES IN DARK

Cleveland Girls Use Means of Attracting Policemen When Forced to go Out Unescorted.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Cleveland women are substituting the tin whistle for the male escort. No, not as a matter of choice, but when the escort is lacking, the whistle accompanies the girl out after dusk.

Miss Florence Kukura is mother of the movement. She works nights and has got tired of being accosted on the way home by men with such inquiries as "Aren't you afraid, little girl?" and "Where are you going, girlie?"

"Girls can carry them in their vanity cases," said Miss Kukura. "If there isn't a policeman in the neighborhood when the call is sounded, there'll surely be some gallant man who'll respond."

SEED DEMONSTRATION

Farmers Should Bring Samples of Farm Seeds to Institutes.

It would add practical interest as well as additional value to the farmers' institute or club meeting if citizens would bring samples of farm seeds. Oats and wheat can be examined for smuts, and demonstrations given as to how the treating for smut is done.

Clover and timothy and other small seeds should be brought to be examined for purity. Demonstrations can also be given to show how testing for germination is easily done. Seed corn will be examined and plans perfected for testing each ear, so suggests Samuel M. Jordan of the State Board of Agriculture.

It would add interest to attach to each sample as much as you can of the following data:

1. Name of variety, if known.
2. How long grown by farmer.
3. Average yield per acre.
4. Was the seed graded?
5. What crop grew on the ground the year before and what one to follow
6. How was the seed bed prepared?
7. Was seed treated?
8. Was fertilizer used? If so, what?
9. When was the seeding done?
10. Did grain lodge badly?
11. Did it make too much straw in proportion to the grain?
12. Do you stack your grain?

If samples with such data are taken to a meeting a most profitable exchange of ideas can be brought out in a general discussion by any or all who may attend.

"By the clashing of ideas, we find where truth exists." We may make some discovery that will be highly beneficial to all concerned, at the farmers' institute or club meeting.

(Special Committee and Press Notice.—By "featuring this feature," a round-table discussion of small grain can be developed in which all take a part with profit, at any meeting of farmers. It is to be hoped that this may prove a timely turn of the money-making sort in better seeding. Jewell Mayes, Secretary, Columbia, Mo.)

Count Up Your Sins.

Augustus Montague Toplady's world famous hymn, "Rock of Ages," originally appeared in the Gospel Magazine for October, 1775, and was prefaced by a terrifying list of the number of sins the average man may be supposed to commit during the course of his lifetime.

"At ten years old," computes the morbid mathematician who wrote the article, "each of us is chargeable with 315,036,000 sins, at twenty with 630,720,000," and so on until at eighty the list stands at 2,552,880,000.

Neat Compliment.

That was a neat compliment paid by a French ambassador in London to a peeress who had been talking to him for an hour.

The lady said, "You must think I am very fond of the sound of my own voice."

The Frenchman replied, "I knew you liked music."

A Wiseacre.

Tommy—What is an acre, dad?

"Four roods."

"What is a rood, dad?"

"Forty square rods, poles or perches."

"What is a wiseacre, dad?"

"One who keeps a spare rod, pole or perch to apply to a boy who asks useless questions. Fetch me my cane!"—London Answers.

Sacred Mountain.

Korea's sacred mountain, Kongo San, or Diamond mountain, as it is more commonly called, carries, it is claimed, 12,000 granite peaks, rugged and grotesque in form and almost impossible of being scaled.

Rich and Poor.

Askington—She has a rich husband, hasn't she? Teller—Yes, and at the same time a mighty poor one.

May your Christmas
be happy in 1,000 ways
and last you 365 days.

MONTGOMERY SHOE CO.

Once again glad Christmas comes with its old associations, its merry meetings and good wishes. May it come to you laden with happiness, and all that is good and true, is the sincere wish of the

HOLMES JEWELRY COMPANY.

Times may change, but friendship
Strengthens as the years roll by;

May the New Year bring good fortune
Both to you and I.

Sisson Loan & Title Co.
Established 1865

GETS $40 FOR WHIPPING

California Jury Awards Frank Gann Damages for Injuries Received By Spanking.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Modesto, Cal., Dec. 23.—After deliberating three hours, a jury awarded Frank Gann, a 15-year-old school boy, $40 damages for a "paddling" administered by Miss Olive Peterson, his teacher. Damages of $4,000 were asked for the whipping, which was alleged to have ruined the boys' health.

Anything to Oblige.

Tourist (at Irish hotel)—You seem tired, Pat. Waiter—Yis, sorr; up very early this morning—half past 6. Tourist—I don't call half past 6 early. Waiter (quickly)—Well, half past 5, thin.—London Punch.

The Best He Could Do.

Noble Sportsman—Whatever it is I've shot, it makes a most unearthly row. Keeper—Yes. Poor Bill ain't got a musical voice, 'as he? But I heard him say he was going to take singing lessons.—London Tit-Bits.

Philatelic Philosophy.

"Do thoughts that come to you in the long ago ever return?" asked the originator of silly questions.

"Not unless I inclose stamps," answered the literary party.—Chicago News.

An Impossibility.

"No," said the man who occasionally lets out a noisy thought, "it's impossible."

"What's impossible?" queried the innocent bystander.

"To convince a woman that a man can make a fool of himself over her," replied the noisy thinker.—Indianapolis Star.

Stark Realism.

Mother (entering the nursery)—Children, why do you sit about looking so solemn and unhappy? Why not play a game of some sort? One of 'Em—We are playing. We're grownup ladies making a call.—New York Times.

Conscientious Obedience.

"The doctor's advice to smoke only one cigar after each meal is going to be the death of Bliggins."

"What's the matter with him?"

"He's trying to eat six or seven meals a day."—Washington Star.

Wedding Rings.

Wedding rings were worn by both Jews and Romans at dates long prior to the Christian era.

The spirit of the season
prompts us to extend to you our
sincere wishes for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and may the dawn of the
New Year light
your path to happiness and prosperity.

New York Candy Kitchen

I send you my hearty greetings
and all good wishes for
Christmas and the new year
that is soon coming.

M. NUSBAUM.

Here's health to you and glee to you
And merriest Christmas cheer,
And may the New Year bring to you
Your brightest, happiest year.

MARYVILLE TIRE & RUBBER CO.

OUR BEST WISHES TO YOU
AND GREETINGS OF
THE SEASON.

We thank you for the generous
patronage given us during the
year just past.

GARRETT HARDWARE CO.

With hearty Christmas Greetings
and every good wish for
Your happiness in the New Year.

Barmann Auto Co.
The home of the Ford Car,
travels in any kind of weather

Old Fellow, if we could grasp your hand

For about a minute, you'd understand

Without any fixed up card to see

What a bully Christmas we want yours to be.

Geo. B. Baker — E. E. Williams

Geo. S. Baker — Burt M. Rowley

Real Estate Bank

The

Banks of Maryville

will be closed on

Christmas Day

Christmas being a legal holiday the banks will not be open for business.

Nodaway Valley Bank — *Real Estate Bank*

First National Bank — *Farmers Trust Co.*

Gillam-Jackson Loan & Trust Co.

COLORADO CRIME DROPS

Prohibition Operates to Reduce Misdemeanors in Denver From 30 to 50 per Cent.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 23.—Prohibition has operated to reduce crime in Denver between 30 and 50 per cent in the year that is now closing, according to figures made public by Chief of Police Hamilton Armstrong.

The decrease is particularly noticeable as regards drunkenness, disturbance and vagrancy, three causes which contributed heavily to the number of arrests before the dry law was enacted.

The number of arrests for the entire year are expected to fall just short of an even 10,000, as compared with 13,769 in 1915.

Following are the figures for eleven months for the three principal offenses:

	1916	1915	Decrease
Drunkenness	1,416	3,227	1,811
Disturbance	668	1,064	336
Vagrancy	1,119	3,313	2,294

What the police refer to as the "major crimes," including murder, burglary, highway robbery and forgery, also have shown a decided decrease.

SLOW IN GETTING START

College Men are Far Behind Untrained Men in First 10 Yars of Businss.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Philadiphia, Pa., Dec. 23—According to Dr. Simon N. Patten, leading economist at the University of Pennsylvania, only 25 per cent of the graduates in law at that institution follow the practice of law after they leave the university. The statistics also show that seventy-five per cent of the law students, after the long course and at heavy expense, go into other lines of work.

"It requires ten years for a college man to earn as much as the untrained man of business," Dr. Patten added. "While college men require ten years to get on their feet, the high school graduate usually steps at once into a paying business. But it must not be overlooked that the trained man far overlaps his untrained competitor after ten years."

SELL "BOGUS" UKELELES

American Markets Flooded With Instruments Marked "Made in Hawaii," American Product.

Pittsburg, Penn., Dec. 23.—That the United States is being flooded with bogus ekeleles marked "Made in Hawaii," but really the product of American factories, was the charge here of Jac Fishel of Honolulu.

Mr. Fishel is on his way to Washington, where he will ask the Government to protect the makers of the real ekelele, of whom he is one.

"I can make as good an instrument out of a cigar box as these fake factory made ukeleles," said Mr. Fishel. "The real Hawaiian instrument is made by hand and the native artisans have devoted their lives to the trade. The American instrument is inferior in construction and tone and positively libels Hawaiian music.

"Every real Hawaiian ukelele offered for sale in the United States bears the stamp of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce."

MELTING UP CHINESE COIN

Japanese Buying up a Certain Kind and Using Copper They Contain.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Chinese "cash," the round coins with a square hole in the middle, may soon be a thing of the past in China. The Japanese are buying them up for the copper they contain. News of the impending disappearance of this cheap coin was sent by Consul General Geo. E. Anderson, of Hong Kong, who sees in the scarcity of "cash" much difficulty among the Chinese in doing business. The rise in the price of copper, he writes, has made these coins, which usually contain about 89 per cent of copper, more valuable as metal than as medium of exchange. For a time more than 6,000 tons of the coins were exported monthly to Japan alone.

WON'T WORK WITHOUT MEAT

California Chain Gang Strikes Because of Restriction of Diet Caused by H. C. of L.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Marysville, Cal., Dec. 23.—Sheriff Riddle, of Butte county, found himself with a strike on his hands when he eliminated meat from the bill of fare at the county jail because of the high cost of living. The members of the chain gang refused to work until meat again appeared on their plates.

BARNARD BULLETIN.

Robert Burnham, who has been ill for some months, is very ill at this time. His nephews, Webster and Mahon Burnham, came up from Savannah Tuesday to see him.

A. D. Reardon and wife are the proud parents of a boy born Friday, December 15.

Christmas Legend

The legend of St. Boniface and the first Christmas tree has been beautifully told. The scene lives before us—the wintry night, the swelling hillock crowned with the great oak tree, the "thunder oak," sacred to the pagan god Thor; the tongues of ruddy flame, the ranks of white clad warriors, women and children facing the altar; the hoary high priest and kneeling child, the victim doomed to die by the blow of the hammer, a sacrifice to Thor, the hammerer.

Then the coming of Boniface, the blow from the hammer turned aside by the cross, the rescue of the boy, the fall of the oak beneath the mighty blows of the apostle, the story of Jesus simply told and how sin, not human life, is the sacrifice he asks.

"And here," said the apostle as his eyes fell on a young fir tree, with its top pointing toward the stars, amid the divided oak—"here is the living tree, with no stain of blood upon it, that shall be the sign of your new worship."—Parish Tidings.

MICHELIN

Tires

not high-priced
yet unsurpassed
for durability

Barmann Auto Co.

Opposite Post Offic

Maryville — Missouri

Michelin Universal Treads and Red Inner Tubes

Inch Sizes	Straight Side	Q. D. Cincher	Inner Tubes
32x3½	$18.30	. . .	$3.55
34	19.30	. . .	3.85
31x4	. . .	*$22.25	3.35
32	24.90	24.90	4.65
33	25.65	25.65	4.25
34	25.95	25.95	5.00
35	. . .	25.50	4.60
36	27.95	27.95	5.30
34x4½	33.00	33.00	6.55
35	34.75	34.75	5.90
36	35.70	35.70	6.90
37	. . .	36.60	6.30
35x5	40.50	40.50	6.55
36	. . .	41.40	8.25
37	41.90	41.90	8.35

* Soft Bead Clincher

The heart's yearly message
Old times bring to mind,
When fond thoughts go seeking
Dear friend's hearts to find.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

EDWARDS' CAFE

HERE'S TO CHRISTMAS—

May it hold for you all that
You hoped it would in joy,
Remembrance and friendship—
and may there be many other
just such times in store for you.

KOCH'S PHARMACY.

REUILLARD'S

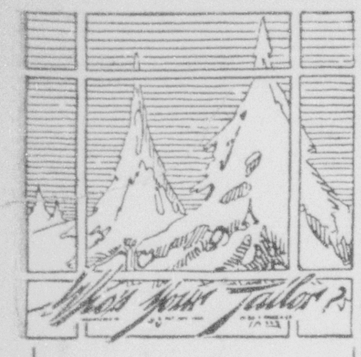
Wish you and yours
A very Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year.

WE APPRECIATE

The liberal patronage the public has given us in the last year, and wish each and everyone

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and A VERY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

HUDSON & WELCH.



Thanking you for your patronage during the past, we take this opportunity of wishing you a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

MURPHY CLOTHING CO.

Mrs. Dowie of Stockton, Kan., arrived in Arkoe today to spend the holidays with her brothers, Harry, Willis, J. and G. H. Wamsley. Miss Helen Wamsley of Gallatin also arrived in Arkoe today and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wamsley.

NEWS OF SOCIETY AND WOMEN'S CLUBS

Christmas Eve Dinner at Masons.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Mason will entertain at 6 o'clock dinner on Christmas eve at their home on East First street. Covers will be laid for Mrs. A. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell of Skidmore, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lyle and son, Harry Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Burt K. Lewis, Miss Ciara Roelofson, Miss Cleo Anderson, Miss Martha Mason and John Mason.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were granted to Leslie F. Davis of Barnard and Elva McCallon of Rosendale, and to Clarence Estus of Guilford and Ellentina Jensen of Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ramey of St. Joseph arrived in Arkoe last night to visit during the holidays with Mrs. Ramey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shockley, and Mr. Ramey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Ramey.

Miss Mae Corwin, a teacher in the Joplin High School, will arrive today in Maryville to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Corwin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sparks of Orrsburg, were in Maryville on business yesterday.

CHICHESTER S PILLS
THE DIAMOND BRAND.
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chi-chester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHI-CHES-TER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

THE
BANK FOR ALL THE PEOPLE
INDIVIDUAL SERVICE
TO FIT YOUR NEEDS
SAFETY · COURTESY · SERVICE

Healthy Conditions

I would rather be a little fellow climbing up, than a big fellow slipping back.

The fellow who is slipping has nothing to look forward to, whereas, the little fellow who is climbing higher up, sees daily encouragement and progress.

So don't be discouraged, if you are just making the start.

This bank takes pride in its large number of customers, who are young people or beginners.

Farmers Trust Co.
MARYVILLE, MISSOURI
Capital - - - $200,000.00

Winter Tourist fares via
WABASH

Mobile, Ala.	$40.07
Jacksonville, Fla.	50.32
Palm Beach, Fla.	68.82
Pensacola, Fla.	42.20
St. Augustine, Fla.	52.62
St. Petersburg, Fla.	61.92
New Orleans, La.	40.07
Pass Christian, Miss.	40.07
Charlestown, S. C.	50.32
San Antonio, Tex.	37.32
Galveston, Tex.	37.32
Houston, Tex.	37.32

Corresponding low fares to many other points in the South and Southeast. Tickets on sale daily until April 30th, good returning until June 1st, 1917. Liberal stop-over privileges.

Round trip fares to points in California, going one route, returning another on sale daily with nine months return limit; one way via PORTLAND at additional cost

FOR PARTICULARS AS TO ROUTES AND STOP - OVER PRIVILEGES WRITE OR CALL ON

E. L. FERRITOR, Agent, Maryville, Mo.
H. C. SHIELDS, G. A. Pass. Dept., 311 South 14th St., Omaha
J. B. McNAMARA, Pass. T. Manager, St. Louis.

Inspiration Miscellany

Enthusiasm In One's Work

A little while ago I was in charge of a large organization of salesmen.

My chief sent me to a western city to appoint a manager for that territory.

There were two candidates. We had their records in detail, but we had never met either of them. I was to look them over, form my judgment and appoint the better man.

I met one man in Cincinnati, the other in St. Louis.

The man in Cincinnati said to me: "What does this position pay?" I told him. "That is more than I am getting here," he said, "and I should like the job. Every man wants to better himself when he can."

The St. Louis man did not wait for me to arrive in the city. He found out on what train I was coming, rode out on the line and surprised me by walking down the aisle of my car. He told me about himself, his training and his selling experience. He had drawn plans in detail for the development of our territory. He told me how many men he expected to have working by the end of the year and just how he thought he could increase our volume of business.

In his enthusiasm he forgot to ask me, and I forgot to tell him, what the salary would be.

The first man had wanted a better job, which is commendable enough. But I hired the man who was enthusiastic about the opportunity.

We are told a great deal about the necessity for controlling our emotions, for being self contained, for not letting our enthusiasm sweep us off our feet.

Much of this advice is very wise.

Teach your son self control.

Encourage him to express his enthusiasm and delight. Let him believe that the world is full of wonderful things, and he himself full of wonderful possibilities.

He can learn self repression in later years, but enthusiasm once lost is lost forever.—Bruce Barton in Every Week.

College Men and Business

The college man who thinks that his greater learning gives him the privilege of working less hard than the man without such an education is going to wake up in disaster. I regret that some college men enter industry with an inflated notion of their own value. They want to capitalize at once their education and the time they spent getting it. They feel it is unfair to begin at the bottom on the same basis with a boy of seventeen or eighteen who has never been to college.

A college man entering industry is worth no more to his employer than a common school or high school boy, unless he happens to be taking up some position in which higher education is directly applied. Even then he has to adjust himself. Neither knowledge of the classics nor mathematical proficiency can be converted overnight into a marketable commodity.

Higher education has its chance later, when the college boy has mastered all the minor details of the business. Then, if he went to college with serious purpose and studied hard and systematically, he has the advantage of a thoroughly trained mind to tackle larger problems, a mind which should be broader and more flexible because of its greater powers of imagination and logical reasoning.—Charles M. Schwab in American Magazine.

WHAT NOT TO LOSE.

Don't lose courage; spirit brave
Carry with you to the grave.

Don't lose time in vain distress;
Work, not worry, brings success.

Don't lose hope; who lets her stray
Goes forlornly all the way.

Don't lose patience, come what will;
Patience ofttimes outruns skill.

Though be foiled your dearest plan,
Don't lose faith in God and man.

The Gifts of God.

Once upon a time there was a man who said, "I will work no more, and God will take care of me." And so he gave away all he had and sat down to wait for God to take care of him. After awhile he became hungry, and nothing came his way. But in the distance he saw some horses laden with packs, which he knew contained food to eat. And so he grew so hungry that he followed them. Up the hill he toiled, while still in the distance were the food laden horses. They led him a fine march, and he grew weaker with the hunger. At last he came near to where the horses had stopped earlier in the day, and there he found food that had been left over. "This is harder than work," he said, "and now I realize that God will take care of the man who is up and doing, but if you sit down and wait the horses will pass you by, carrying God's gifts on their backs."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Do Right Today.

We can only live up to the faith, the opportunity, the ability which comes to us today. But, if we do that, tomorrow surely will bring larger faith, wider opportunity and greater ability.

You Dont Need a Letter of Introduction to Start---

Neither do you need a personal introduction to open a savings account. All in the world you have to do is to walk through the door of our bank and say to the first employe you meet, "I want to open a Real Estate Bank savings account." Of course this is very easy to do, but it will be just as easy to keep your account growing.

Then after you have received your little red pass book, and start to carrying it around in your pocket you'll wonder why you haven't done this before. Because you know there is a vast amount of satisfaction in knowing that you have a bank deposit for future use — maybe you will need it badly all of a sudden some day, and there it will be all ready for you.

In fact you'll find that getting on to that little red pass book will be the best thing you've done for yourself for many a day.

REAL ESTATE BANK
Pays 4% on Savings

UNIDENTIFIED SCHOONER LOST.

All Aboard Perish — Sight the Wreckage of the William Mason.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Halifax, Dec. 23.—A large unidentified schooner has been lost off Darmouth Point. All aboard are believed to have been lost. Another wreck believed to be that of the William Mason was sighted. The body of one man was lashed to the rigging.

FLOOD AT COLOMBIA.

Many Homeless As Results of Inundation In Colombia.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Colombia, Dec. 23.—Many lives were lost and thousands of persons are homeless as a result of a flood in Magdelena Valley in Northern Colombia. A dispatch from Bogota says that the government is taking measure for the relief of the stricken. Bananquilta, Colamai, Magangue and many other towns are inundated. More than than 10,000 head of cattle were drowned.

Russians in Peril.

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The advance of the German allies on both sides of the Danube has put the Russian army in Northern Dobrudja in grave peril.

Harold Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ford, and Mrs. Jim Andy Ford arrived in Maryville last night from Chicago, and will spend the holidays with his parents and with his sster, Mrs. Joseph Jackson, Jr.

J. R. Wallace of Winchester, Kan., is in Maryville and will spend Christmas with his brother, Sheriff Wallace.

Ezra Phipps, drum major of the Fourth Regiment Band, arrived in Maryville last night from Laredo, Tex., and will spend the holidays with his mother.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

Light as Chaff

Not Their Fault.

A pillar of the colored church, Alexander Jackson, was entertaining at dinner the pastor and some of the prominent members. After grace Alexander began to carve the chicken, and the pastor waxed facetious.

"Brudder Jackson," he asked smilingly, "do de white folks round you keep chickens?"

Alexander pried loose a wing. "No, sah," he responded, "dey does not, but dey suttinly tries hard enough to."—Country Gentleman.

Wishbone Luck.

They were dining off turkey in a restaurant. "You see," he explained as he showed her the wishbone, "you take hold here. Then we must both make a wish and pull, and when it breaks the one who has the biggest part of it will have his or her wish granted."

"But I don't know what to wish for," she protested.

"Oh, you can think of something," he said.

"No, I can't," she replied. "I can't think of anything I want very much."

"Well, I'll wish for you," he exclaimed.

"Will you really?" she asked.

"Yes."

"Well, then, there's no use fooling with the old wishbone," she interrupted, with a glad smile; "you can have me."

W. J. Staples s ill at hi shome on North Main street.

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Kansas City, Dec. 23.—CATTLE—Receipts, 100; no trade.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,000; top, $10.30; bulk $9.15 @ $9.25.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000; market steady.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—CATTLE— Receipts, 1,000; market steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 22,000; market slow to 10c lower; top, $10.40.

SHEEP—Receipts, 4,000; market steady.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

St. Joseph, Dec. 23.—CATTLE—Receipts, 100; market steady.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,300; market slow to 10c lower; top, $10.20.

SHEEP—Receipts, 0; market steady

Furnished daily by Frost & Speirs.

Butter fat, per lb	34c
Eggs, per dozen	35c
Hides, per lb	14c
Springs, per lb	14c
Hens, per lb	14c
Ducks, per lb	11c
Geese, per lb	10c
Roosters and stags, per lb	7c

CRUDE OIL GOES UP.

Price Advances 10 Cents, Making the Price $30 a Barrel.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

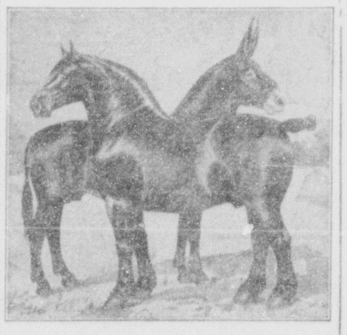
Bartlesville, Okla., Dec. 23.—The price of Continental Crude oil was advanced ten cents by all of the companies today, making the price $30 a barrel.

Miss Edna Wilson who teaches school in Oelwein, Ia., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Wilson of 721 South Buchanan street during the holidays.

W. W. Billings arrived in Maryville Friday night and will visit during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas on South Depot street.

Dr. Jesse Miller
Dentist.
Office in Nodaway Valley Bank Bldg.
SUCCESSOR TO F. M. BLAKE.

WANTED

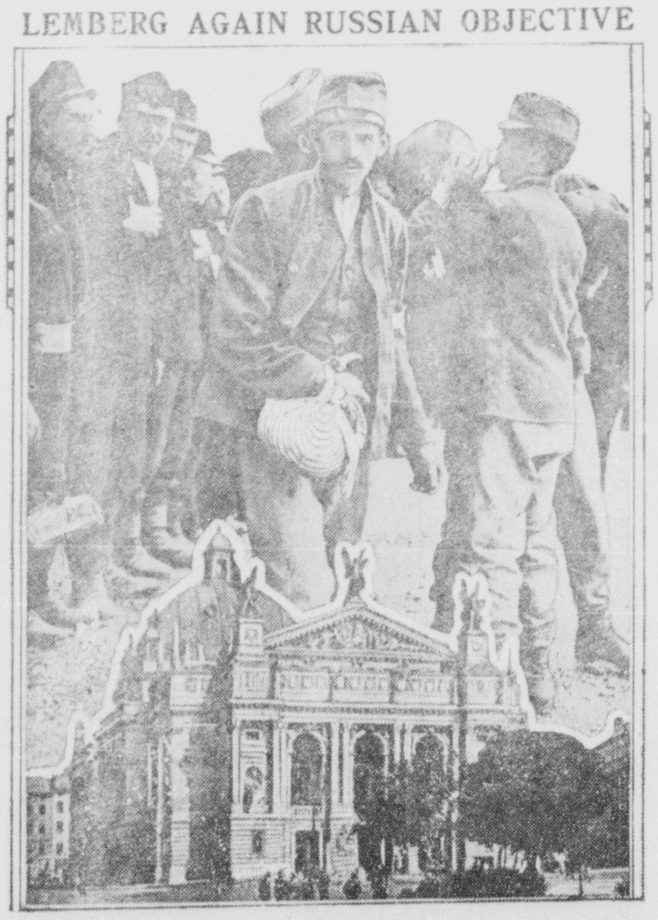


100 Mules

Four to eight years old —any size. Phone me, I will come and see them and buy or invoice them.

Jim Andy Ford
Farmers 161 Hanamo 31

LEMBERG AGAIN RUSSIAN OBJECTIVE



Lemberg, the capital of Galicia, which was taken by the Russians in 1914 and recaptured by the Teuton forces in 1915, is again threatened by the Russians. In the picture are shown Austrian prisoners in the latest drive and Lemberg Municipal theater.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING WANTS THAT BRING RESULTS

RATES IN THIS COLUMN

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for cash with order. An extra charge of five cents will be made on all want ads when cash does not accompany the order.

Miscellaneous.

FOR new or old work see me for special prices. Ryks Plumbing Co., south side square. Hanamo 270.

QUICK and efficient service is required for first class work. Our service gives this to you. Standard Plumbing Co.

BARBER SHOP, 209 East Third. The only 10c shave in town, haircut 20c. Viles & Clauser. 18-23*

Fancy Lump Coal, $5.50 per ton, city scale weights if wanted. Glover & Alexander. 18-23

TWO Taxicabs for service, also car for delivering packages and baggage of all kinds, day or night. Tilson's Garage, Hanamo phone 68. 21-23

STRAYED—One white and red male pig, weight 125 to 140 pounds. Henry N. Moore, phone 25-16. 21-23*

LOST—Pair glasses, gold frames, in case. Notify W. A. Burris or this office. 21-23*

LOST—Between Bower's hardware and Graham store, lavallierre. Reward Return to this office. 22-26

LOST—Black folding pocketbook containing about $8 or $9. Also an old Fair ticket. Please return to Knox garage or Leo Knox and get reward. 23-27

LOST—Held fountain pen at high school or on road to school. Return to this office. Reward.

For Sale.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred White Rock cockerels. Mrs. Ray Masters, Farmers phone 38-16, route 1. 23-27

FOR SALE—Flour, Gilt Edge, $2.15 48 lb. sack; Gold Leaf, $2.10 48 lb. sack. Maryville Feed and Milling Co., 206 West Third. Phones, Hanamo 110, Farmers, 230. 21-23

FOR SALE—Plenty of cobs. Maryville Feed and Milling Co., 206 West Third, both phones. 22-26

Wanted.

WANTED—Small amounts of idle money to loan on real estate. Chas. E. Stilwell, Maryville, Mo. 9-tf

WANTED—Man for night firing. Inexperienced man willing to learn how to fire boiler preferred. Apply in person after 6 p. m. The Engelmann Greenhouses. 22-26

WANTED — Salesman acquainted with trade in Missouri, capable of earning $125 or more per month. Fine opportunity to build up permanent and profitable business. Stetson Oil Co., Cleveland, O. 23*

For Rent.

FOR RENT—6-room house adjoining Normal, ready any time. J. T. Hays, Hanamo 575. 4-tf

FOR RENT—2 good farms near Maryville, 160 and 130 acres respectively, 160 fine for stock raising. Apply at once. M. G. Tate. 16-tf

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms with or without board, close in. Mrs. Jennie Zook, 203 West Second street. Hanamo phone 4719. 19-23*

FOR RENT—Good 7-room house, 2 blocks from square, South Market St. A. T. Stephenson. 23-27*

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All

FOR the coming season our stock of Wall Paper and Paints will be larger and better than ever before. There will be no advance in prices.

ARNETT DECORATING COMPANY